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In re Patent Application of:  
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Examiner: Jennifer M. Kennedy

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For: USE OF ALN AS COPPER PASSIVATION  
LAYER AND THERMAL CONDUCTOR

**AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

This paper is in response to the Advisory Action dated September 21, 2004 and the Office Action dated July 9, 2004. A Request for Continued Examination is filed herewith. Please further amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 6 of this paper.